[Mr. K. Madhava Kurup.]

of the Nedumangad taluk and certain pakuthies of the Neyyattinkara taluk. An attempt has been going on for a considerable length of time to transfer the office from its present location I have always been surprised very much at the enthusiasm displayed by some honourable members and others for transfering a Sub-Registrar's office from one particular place to another.

Mr. T. Krishna Pillai: May I know whether the office is held in the pakuthy over which it has jurisdiction or in some other pakuthy?

Mr. K. Madhava Kurup: There is no rule that a Sub-Registrar's office should be located only in a pakuthy over or which it has jurisdiction. Besides, under the new Registration Amendment Act, documents can validly be registered in any office and there is no question of jurisdiction.

Mr. T. Krishna Pillai: In that case may I know whether at least the name of the office will be changed. Now it is named as the Maranallur Sub-Registrar's office, though it is situated at Kattakada.

Mr. K. Madhava Kurup: These temporary offices are opened to meet the present abnormal conditions. The general question of serving the jurisdiction of offices is under consideration and Government have ordered that as far as possible, Sub-Registrar's offices might be located in their own jurisdiction.

With regard to the holding of Sub.Registrar's offices in Government buildings, the policy of Government is well known. They have approved of a five year programme for the housing of Sub-Registrar's offices in Government buildings. Buildings designed for residential purposes are most unsuited for public offices particularly Sub Registry offices. In Sub-Registry offices safety of the records is a vital consideration because very valuable records are kept there. Of the eighty permanent Sub-Registrar's offices only about forty are held in Government buildings. All except one of the temporary offices are held in rented buildings. The scheme for putting up buildings is under the consideration of Government. In the Budget for 1119, there is provision for putting up a building for the Pathanamthitta Sub-Registrar's office and another for housing three Registration offices in Kottayam town.

The question that Government be granted a sum of Rs. 4,60,046 under Demand V—Registration was put and carried.

The grant was made.

DEMAND VI—RAILWAYS.

Mr. A. Lakshminarayana Ayyar: Sir, I move for a grant of Rs. 59,300 under Demand VI—Railways.

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Mr. T. Krishna Pillai: I want to ascertain from the Government whether the Railway Advisory Committee exists even now and if so the name of the Travancore representative in that Committee. My information is that a non-official member was representing Travancore in that Committee.

Mr. A. Lakshminarayana Aiyar: The member representing the Travancore Government is the Financial Secretary to Government. He is attending meetings whenever possible.

President: It was found by experience quite recently, especially during the last one year or two, that most of the matters that came up before the Railway Board was so divorced from anything connected with Travancore that it was hardly worth-while sending anybody other than the Financial Secretary. Later on when normal conditions are restored, a non official will probably be sent.

The question that Government be granted Rs. 59,300 under Demand VI—Railways was put and carried.

The grant was made.

DEMAND VII—PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT INCLUDING WATER WORKS AND DRAINAGE.

Mr. I. C. Chacko: Sir, I rise to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 55,03,560 under Demand VII—Public Works Department including Water Works and Drainage.

Mr. Thomas Chandy Mukkadan: സർ, ഞാൻ ഈ ഗ്രാൻറിനെ അനുകൂലിക്കുന്നു. വളരെക്കാലമായി ഒരു ജനപ്രതിനിധിയുടെ നിലയിൽ ഈ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിനെപ്പറ്റി ആക്ഷേപിച്ചു് സങ്കടത്തോടുകൂടി അഭിപ്രായപ്രകടനങ്ങളും നടത്തുവാനാണു് എനിക്കു് ഇടയായിട്ടുള്ളതു്. എന്നാൽ ഇക്കൊല്ലത്തിലാകട്ടെ ഒരു സന്തോഷവാക്കു പറയുവാൻ എനിക്കു് ഇടയാകുന്നതിൽ വളരെ ചാരിതാർത്ഥ്യമുണ്ടു്. ഫാൻറിൽ ആലപ്പുഴ താലൂക്കിനെ പ്രതിനിധീകരിച്ചു കൊണ്ടു് ശ്രീമൂലം പ്രജാസഭയിലും എനിക്കു ഹാജരാകുവാൻ സന്ദർഭങ്ങളായിട്ടുള്ള അവസരങ്ങളിലെല്ലാം ഈ സഭകളിൽവെച്ചും ആലപ്പുഴ—ചങ്ങനാശ്ശേരി റോഡിനെക്കുറിച്ചു് തുടർച്ചയായി നിവേദനങ്ങളും നടത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടു്; അതിൻറെ പൂർത്തീകരണത്തിനായി അനവരതം ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിനെയും ഗവൺമെൻറിനെയും ബുദ്ധിമുട്ടിച്ചുകൊണ്ടാണു് ഇരുന്നിട്ടുള്ളതു. ഓരോകാലത്തു ഓരോ സംഗതികളും പറഞ്ഞു് അതാതുകാലങ്ങളിലുണ്ടായിരുന്ന ചീഫ് സെക്രട്ടറിമാർ കൗശലപൂർവ്വം ഒഴിഞ്ഞുമാറിക്കളയുകയാണു് ചെയ്തതു്. ഇക്കൊല്ലം യാതൊരു കൗശലവും കൂടാതെ അതിലേക്കുള്ള തുക അനുവദിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു

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